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SUBJ: PRESS REPORT OF USE OF RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT

FOR SUEZ CANAL CLEARANCE

MAY 4 AHAM CONTAINS EXCLUSIVE ARTICLE STATING THAT U.S. AND EGYPTIAN AUTHORITIES HAVE BEEN IN CONTACT REGARDING PERMISSION FOR USE OF "MOST MODERN" SUPERSONIC U.S. RECONNAISSANCE AIRCRAFT FOR INFRARED PHOTOGRAPHY OF SUEZ CANAL AREA WHICH WOULD REVEAL PRESENCE OF BOMBS AND MINES ON CANAL BED. ARTICLE CONTINUES WITH REPORT OF RECENT CLEARANCE ACTIVITIES: REPLACEMENT OF IWO JIMA BY INCHON, PROGRESS OF HELICOPTER SEARCH FOR MINES AND EXPLOSIVES, AND ARRIVAL IN PORT SAID OF REPRESENTATIVES OF MURPHY PACIFIC IN CONNECTION WITH FORTHCOMING SALVAGE OPERATIONS. ARTICLE NOTES THAT USG WILL CONTRACT WITH MURPHY PACIFIC FOR SALVAGE OPS ACCORDING TO RECENT DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN USG AND GOE ON THIS SUBJECT.

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